

CITY OF RIVERSIDE FIRE DEPARTMENT





Incident Name: Cedar Incident

Incident Location: 4200 Block of Cedar

Date Reported: 02/01/2015

Incident Number: 15-002824

Time Reported: 1:08 AM

Fatalities: 0 Critical: 0 Moderate: 0 Minor: 2 Non Injury: 0

Transported Ground Ambulance(s): 1

Loss: \$0

Cause: Electrical

Save: \$0

Control Time: 02/01/2015 0330

Type of Incident: Church Fire (FINAL UPDATE)

Utilities: Yes

Evacuations: No

Evacuation Comments:

RESOURCES ASSIGNED

Fire Fighters: 38 Overhead Personnel: 6

Ambulance(s): 1 Red Cross: No

Truck Companies: 3 Water Tenders: 0 Displaced Persons: No

Specialized Equipment: Breathing Support

CURRENT SITUATION

Engine Companies: 7

(Recent updates are posted at the top of Current Situation)

The City of Riverside Fire Department responded to a reported structure fire at a church in the 4200 block of Cedar St. This church is a 1920's historical local church. The first arriving engine company reported heavy smoke and fire venting from the roof of a large single story church. Two additional alarms were requested along with an AMR ambulance and RPD. An aggressive fire attack was initiated and a primary search was started. Approx. eighteen minutes into the incident the interior fire crews reported that they had a running attic fire with the possibility of flashover conditions and structural collapse. The interior crews were withdrawn from the structure and the primary search was called off. Shortly after withdrawing, the roof collapsed and a defensive tactic was started by utilizing an aerial attack with two ladder trucks. The fire was contained after 2 hours with a total of 38 firefighters on scene, two safety officers and Fire Chief Moore were also on scene. There were no civilian and two firefighters suffered minor injuries. The firefighters were not transported to the hospital. The church pastors were notified and arrived on scene to assess the damage. The Arson Investigation Team along with an investigator from ATF began conducting the investigation, the cause of the fire is Electrical. The estimated loss is at \$1,500,000 with a save of approx. \$250,000.

COOPERATING AGENCIES

AMR, RPU, Riverside Streets

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